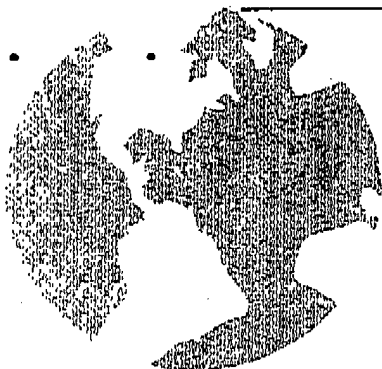


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Re: Application Serial Number 10/600,237

Dear Ms. Bayard:

Thank you for setting up a telephonic interview for me in regard to the above-captioned application, scheduled for Wednesday, February 20, 2008 at 11 am EST. I would like to discuss the two primary references cited against the claims, namely EP 1 241 890 to Thomas and U.S. Patent Application No. 2004/0054735 to Daniel *et al.* as they pertain to a proposed amendment to the claims, shown below. With regard to the references, I do not believe that they teach or suggest the feature of allowing multiple users to logon to an Instant Messaging system through a single computer.

Please review my proposed amendment to claim 1, shown below in both underline and strikeout form and in clean form. I look forward to discussing this matter with you on Wednesday. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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